

JUNEAU HOTEL FIRE CAUSED DEATH OF ELEVEN PERSONS

FOURTEEN ARE BADLY INJURED

Six of the Bodies Have Been Recovered While Five Remain Buried In the Ruins

JUNEAU, Alaska, Sept. 6.—Eleven lives were lost and fourteen persons were injured, two of whom are expected to die, and the Juneau hotel and McGrath building are in ashes as a result of fire in the hotel late last night, which subdued only after the Douglas fire department had been called in to aid the local department to fight the flames. Six bodies have been recovered, and five more are in the debris.

The known dead are:
WILL MORRISON, clerk of the hotel, formerly of Portland, Ore.
W. ALTER DAVENPORT, painter, of Tacoma.

SELINA DOWLING, a native girl.
TWO IDENTIFIED MEN.
ONE UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN.

Of the injured, William Southwick of Michigan and Boyes Miles of Montana are believed to be fatally hurt. The Dowling girl is said to have been the most beautiful half-breed girl in Alaska. The loss of property is estimated at \$50,000 and no insurance.

The bodies of Will Morrison, day clerk of the hotel, and of Davenport, a painter belonging to the Tacoma lodge of Moose, and two others with no marks of identification, was recovered quickly. Fourteen persons are in hospitals suffering from severe burns and injuries received when they jumped from windows.

The hotel, a three-story structure, was crowded with guests and the entire building was ablaze before the alarm was given. It was with difficulty that the entire business district was saved from the flames. The McGrath building, adjoining, went quickly but here the firemen got the upper hand. Workmen were digging in debris later for bodies when the ruins collapsed, but all escaped. The cause of the fire is not known.

SHORT STORIES.

When a Chinese is puzzled he scratches his feet instead of his head.

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As a result of the government irrigation work land values have been increased by \$105,800,000.

In Yemen, Arabia, the knife is still used to cut standing grain. Hands do the work of shovels and baskets the work of barrows.

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GOVERNMENT TO TEST SA-
LINES FROM DESERT.

An investigation into possible sources of potash salts in the United States is being made this year by the United States geological survey under an appropriation by congress of \$20,000 for the current year.

One of the possible sources from which potash may be derived is in association with saline deposits left by the drying up of large bodies of salty waters, such as are known to have existed at one time in many of the now desert areas of the southwest Oregon, Nevada, southeast California, in Utah, and elsewhere. It is hoped that by testing these saline deposits some may be found sufficiently rich in potash to have a commercial value, and that there may even be located some large and important deposits.

As a part of this work the survey will soon fit up a temporary laboratory at Fallon, for the purpose of testing samples of salines from the desert areas.

Samples of such alkaline salts will be tested at this laboratory free of charge if a definite statement of the locality from which they were obtained be sent with the samples. The location should be given by section, township and range, if possible, otherwise by distance and direction from the nearest postoffice or settlement. Samples should be addressed to Hoyt S. Gale, United States geological survey, Fallon, Nev. Upon receipt of a request small sample sacks for sending the material by mail will be forwarded from the above address.

If so requested at the time that a sample is submitted for test, the accompanying information concerning the locality of the deposit will be treated as confidential; and the evidence thus obtained is not to be used for the purpose of making land withdrawals.

ROBERTS WANTS TAFT TO VISIT OUR OWN STATE

Washington reports state that Representative Roberts of Nevada is opposed to the president taking the northern route into California on his coming visit. He wants President Taft to stop at Reno enroute from Salt Lake to Los Angeles. Mr. Roberts and the Reno Commercial club have promised the president a big time if he visits Nevada. Mr. Roberts expected to be here for a month after the adjournment of congress. He will place his daughter in school before he goes to Nevada.

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WARNS AGAINST THE PLANS OF JAMES J. HILL

OTTAWA, Sept. 6.—The principal anti-reciprocity newspaper makes a big splurge over the chapter entitled "Reciprocity with Canada," in a book, which it says James J. Hill wrote last year for American readers.

Mr. Hill is much in the public eye in Canada, being a native-born Canadian and a great friend of Earl Grey, the governor general, who has just returned from a fishing holiday with Mr. Hill in Labrador. The quotations published show Mr. Hill as an ardent advocate of unrestricted trade between Canada and the United States. The newspapers says that Mr. Hill wants reciprocity "as a cat wants cream," and warns the people against his plans for gobbling up the west and building more Hill railroads in it.

Sir Wilfred Laurier spoke in St. John, N. B., for the first time in 15 years, to the largest audience that has been seen there in that length of time. R. L. Borden speaks in Montreal this week. The opposition to the return of Frank Oliver, minister of the interior from Edmonton, Alberta, to the house of commons, has collapsed. Mr. Rutherford, anti-Oliver candidate, having retired.

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